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Sir:

This Communication is to provide notice that the claims in the captioned application were copied substantially from claims in granted U.S. Patent No. 6,206,931. It is Applicants' contention that the subject matter of the claims of the captioned application is the prior invention of the presently named inventors. The purpose of filing the captioned application is to contest priority/inventorship as to the subject matter claimed in the present application common with that in U.S. Patent No. 6,206,931 and to obtain patent rights for the named applicants and their appropriate assignees. Examination of the present application leading to a determination

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that the claims are allowable with a declaration of interference with the aforementioned patent is requested.

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